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- Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages)
- Form PTO-1449 listing 38 references (3 pages)
- A copy of each listed reference
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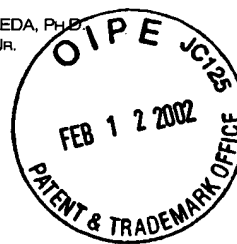
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TRANSMITTAL FOR INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 is an Information Disclosure Statement, which includes the following statements, if any, required variously by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98:

- ____ Statement of relevance of selected cited references not in the English language which are not translated.
- ____ Statement that selected cited references are substantially cumulative of an enclosed or previously submitted reference.
- ____ Statement that selected cited references were previously cited by or submitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office in a prior application which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120.



A. Additional Materials Required Due to Content of Information Disclosure Statement

Transmitted are the following documents in addition to the Information Disclosure Statement as required variously under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98:

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X Form PTO-1449 listing 38 references submitted for consideration.

X A copy of each of the references listed on the Form PTO-1449.

___ English translations of ___ (___) of the references listed on the Form PTO-1449 which are not in the English language.

___ Copies of the following documents from the prosecution of a previous, related application:

___ Form PTO-1449 AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT; and

___ Form PTO-892

B. Additional Materials Required Due to Timing of Filing of Information Disclosure Statement

The transmitted Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within one (1) of the following four (4) time periods:

I. X Prior to the later of either three (3) months following the filing date or the mailing of a first Office Action. Accordingly, no materials other than those listed above are enclosed.

II. ___ Following the latter of either three (3) months following the filing date or the mailing of a first Office Action, but before the mailing of a final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance. Accordingly, to secure consideration thereof, one (1) of the following is also enclosed:

___ Promptness Certification; or

___ Check No. _____ in the amount of \$180.00 constituting the submission fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

III. ___ After the mailing of a Notice of Allowance, but before payment of the Issue Fee. Accordingly, in order to secure consideration thereof, each of the following are also enclosed:

___ Promptness Certificate;

___ Petition for Consideration; and



____ Check No. in the amount of \$ _____ constituting the petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i)(1).

IV. ____ After payment of the Issue Fee. Accordingly, in order to secure consideration thereof, each of the following are also enclosed:

____ Petition to Withdraw from Issue; and

____ Check No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ constituting the petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i)(1).

C. Fees

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of or any deficiency in the following fees associated with this communication, or to credit any overpayment thereof, to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

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____ The submission fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

____ The petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i)(1).

Dated this 22nd day of January 2002.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, a copy of each of the listed references or relevant portion thereof is also enclosed.

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